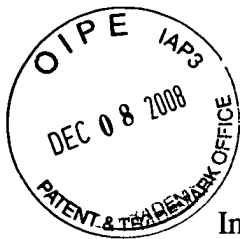


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Dear Examiner:

This is in response to the Office Action dated October 3, 2008 for which the
three-month shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire on January 3, 2009.

While Applicants believe that no extension of time for response is necessary, should the Office determine that any additional fees are necessary for this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 19-4882.

Amendment to the **Claims** is reflected in the **Listing of Claims** which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

Entry of the Amendments below and consideration of the Remarks that follow is respectfully requested.